

RDDC, together with Global Genes, hosted the RARE Health Equity Summit, which convened a diverse network of rare disease stakeholders to explore and address gaps in diagnoses faced by patient of color.

Madam Speaker, as the proud Sponsor of H. Res. 948, a resolution recognizing Rare Disease Day and those individuals living with rare diseases, I urge my colleagues to join me in acknowledging the importance of health equity and the desperate need for robust rare disease research.

RECOGNIZING TAMPA'S LOCAL
TRAILBLAZER, LILLIAN COOPER
STRINGER, IN HONOR OF BLACK
HISTORY MONTH

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2022

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Madam Speaker, this Black History Month, I am proud to celebrate local trailblazers who have lifted up our Tampa Bay community. I rise today in immense gratitude for Lillian Cooper Stringer, a lifetime public servant who has been a leader to help ensure safety, dignity and vitality for thousands of neighbors. Born in Bartow, Fla., Mrs. Stringer moved to Tampa—into public housing—at a young age. Her mother did not complete middle school and she was one of five siblings. Precocious, in third grade Mrs. Stringer received the highest grade for English composition in all of Hillsborough County. The accolades and recognition she received from this became a pivotal moment that catapulted her into a true understanding that higher education was key to lifting herself out of poverty. She worked hard to earn good grades and remain an active student, including as a dancer and member of the Middleton High School Tiger's drill team.

In 1978, Mrs. Stringer received her bachelor's degree in Radio, Television, Film Communication and English Education from the University of Maryland College Park Campus. Mrs. Stringer had stints with landmark local organizations before joining Tampa Housing Authority, including Hillsborough Community College, Hyatt Regency and WFLA.

She found a special calling where she currently serves as the Director of Community Affairs for the Tampa Housing Authority, one of the largest housing authorities in the state and the state administrator for Assisted Housing/Section 8. Since starting in 1990, she has served the agency in various capacities, including all areas of resident initiatives; social services; inter-agency involvement; staff employee and resident training; as well as serving as a local and national housing advocate and agency spokeswoman. With little to no senior engagement available when she started with Tampa Housing Authority, she launched initiatives to improve senior safety and healthy

community living—what she has erected and developed serves as a national model and will leave a lasting legacy. She developed numerous programs for Tampa Housing Authority's older residents through Elderly Services Initiatives to keep senior citizens engaged, including the foster-grandparent supports and inter-generational programs that connect seniors with youth. She also developed and coordinated plans for the first on-site clinic at an elderly property and created "Senior Spotlight," a column that highlights the accomplishments of elderly residents. She coordinated the first "Senior Cabaret," an event designed to provide an opportunity for the elderly to interact, socialize and meet elderly residents from other properties.

Catapulting students in public housing into successful lives through education, as she herself did, became a passion and for years she coordinated a scholarship that also equipped students with luggage and laptops as they were sent off to college. She managed the first Family Day Care Homes, which provides an opportunity for qualified, unemployed seniors to keep no more than six young people in their home environment, as well as the Youth Sports and Cultural Program, Resident Enterprise Assistance Program, Revolving Loan Program and the agency's Recycling Center.

Mrs. Stringer's current and prior memberships include Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority, local chambers of commerce, Public Relations Society of America, American Association of University Women, Florida Bar Grievance Committee, Metropolitan Ministries Advisory Board and Leadership Tampa Bay. She even owned her own boutique, Chez Lilly, from 2007 to 2011. Mrs. Stringer has been married for 40 years to former Judge Thomas E. Stringer and she is mother to Roderick Eugene Cooper.

Mrs. Stringer's accomplishments did not come by mere accident or simply because they were part of her job duties. Rather, Mrs. Stringer has gone above and beyond her professional obligations because her personal experience, passion for dignity, and commitment to preserving Tampa's African American heritage led her to approach community engagement in new, innovative ways. Madam Speaker, on behalf of a grateful Nation and Tampa Bay community, I am proud to recognize the service and leadership of Lillian Cooper Stringer.

HONORING MAYOR CHARLES
BUJAN OF PORT ARANSAS, TX

HON. MICHAEL CLOUD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2022

Mr. CLOUD. Madam Speaker, today I would like to pay my respects to a true public serv-

ant in the 27th Congressional District, Port Aransas Mayor Charles Bujan, who passed away on February 9th, after a battle with pancreatic cancer.

Born and raised in Port Aransas, Mayor Bujan began his public service to his beloved community in 2007, when he was first elected as a councilman. In 2016, he was then elected Mayor of Port Aransas.

As Mayor, he led the city through recovery efforts stemming from the damage caused by Hurricane Harvey. I remember meeting with Mayor Bujan on multiple occasions and he never missed an opportunity to advocate for the city that he led. I am proud to have worked with him over the years to revitalize the community of Port Aransas.

My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Mayor Bujan and the community of Port Aransas during this difficult time.

BARBER-NICHOLS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2022

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Barber-Nichols for receiving the 2021 Arvada Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Year Award.

The Arvada Chamber of Commerce's Business of the Year Award recognizes a business that has established a reputation for providing a superior level of customer service while using ingenuity and innovation to overcome challenges. Not only does Barber-Nichols excel as a company but it also continues to support the community by participating in local activities and partnering with local non-profit organizations.

Barber-Nichols is accelerating the delivery of innovative turbomachinery systems through collaborative customer relationships merged with integrated engineering and manufacturing to explore the universe and ensure sustainable energy. Barber-Nichols experienced 10 percent+ year-over-year revenue growth from \$30 million in 2017 to \$60 million in 2021, supporting local Colorado jobs by growing from 100 to 160+ employees. In addition, Barber-Nichols remains committed to developing a next-generation skilled manufacturing workforce in Colorado by sponsoring young talent directly out of trade schools. Barber-Nichols employees also show their commitment to the community they call home by volunteering with a variety of local organizations such as Adopt-A-Street City of Arvada, Community Table Arvada Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Jefferson County Schools Art Program, Children's Hospital, Foothills Animal Shelter, and others.

Congratulations to Barber-Nichols for this honor and I thank them for their contribution to our community.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF
MATTHEW BRADY

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2022

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Matthew Brady, who peacefully entered eternal life on Thursday, February 10, 2022. Nicknamed by family and friends as "Fred, Brady, and Big Uncle," Matthew Brady was a larger-than-life figure that left a positive impact on the lives of those he met.

The son of Frank and Emma Brady, Matthew Brady was born on Monday, February 7, 1938, in Youngstown, Ohio. Matthew would graduate from South High School in 1956, where he was known as an all-around athlete and the community's star football player. He would opt out of a football scholarship and join the workforce at Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company until 1961, where he would enlist into our nation's army, where he would serve until he was honorably discharged in 1963 and returned to work as a steelworker. Matthew would eventually earn his stationary steam engineering license in 1978 and continue to work in the steel industry until 1981. He would transition over to a 35-year career as a stationary steam engineer until his retirement with the Trumbull Memorial Regional Hospital in 2013.

Outside of his professional life, Matthew was a linchpin of entertainment and gaining understanding with those close to him. He would entertain his seven children with several versions about how he and Laura Cooke, his wife of 57 years, met. Each tale would be funnier than the previous one. His love for reading books and newspapers helped his far-reaching knowledge continue to grow, possibly allowing him to be tricked into writing a few political science and history papers for college students.

In all, Matthew Brady was a quiet, humble, hardworking man who cared for those he loved since he was young. The epitome of selflessness, Matthew would become the caretaker of his mother, an older brother that was incapacitated by the war, and a niece while in high school. Matthew would continue to be their caretaker of his mother and brother until their passing 40 years later. That love and care will be what our community misses the most.

Matthew will be dearly missed by his wife Laura Thornton Brady and his children Tisha P. Brady; Pia N. Brady; Jada M. Brady; (Andre) Ian Brady; Avery (wife Patrice) Brady; Leah A. Brady; and Aaron A. Brady. He was also greatly loved by his four grandchildren Julien and Justin Aina, Hannah Brady, and Ava Brady, the niece he adored and reared (Lenore "Bugs" Brady of Bryans Road Maryland, his sister-in-law DeLois Grant Brady, brother-in-law Ronald Thornton and his many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents; and siblings, Frank (June) Brady, Jr., Edward Brady, Norman (Bobby) Brady, Helen Brady Traylor, Herbert (Billy) Brady, Margaret Brady, Eleanor (Betty) Brady Owens; and most recently by his youngest brother Samuel (Dickie) Brady.

RECOGNIZING VETERAN REMMIE
CHEW, U.S. MARINE CORPS, AND
HIS VOLUNTEER WORK

HON. A. DONALD McEACHIN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2022

Mr. McEACHIN. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and honor Mr. Rennie Chew for his service to our country and his continuing service to our Richmond community.

Mr. Chew served in the United States Marine Corps for sixteen years, and was stationed across the globe, from Okinawa, Japan to Camp Lejeune in North Carolina. He now continues his service in the Richmond community with his non-profit organization, A Servant's Heart Ministry, that collects goods and distributes them to those experiencing homelessness.

His inspiration for his non-profit came while getting his master's degree at Virginia Union University's School of Theology in 2020. As a fellow alumnus of that venerable institution, I have the utmost respect for the way Mr. Chew lives the values we learned. As churches and others serve meals, it was important to Mr. Chew to provide food, clothing, and other essential items to the people of Richmond, wherever they may be.

Instead of looking for praise, Mr. Chew finds reward with helping and making connections with our communities. Mr. Chew's dedication to others, both in our Richmond communities and to our nation during his time in the U.S. Marine Corps, exemplifies his selfless service.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Rennie Chew for his devotion and service to the public good, to our communities, and to our Nation.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 70TH AN-
NIVERSARY OF THE MARINE
CORPS LOGISTICS BASE IN AL-
BANY, GEORGIA

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 28, 2022

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the men and women who have served and currently serve at the Marine Corps Logistics Base (MCLB) in Albany, Georgia. On Thursday, March 1, 2022, base personnel, Armed Services veterans, and local dignitaries will celebrate the facility's 70th anniversary.

Over the last 70 years, the brave men and women who have served at MCLB, Albany have made significant contributions in defending our homeland and safeguarding our liberties.

On March 1, 1952, MCLB, Albany was commissioned as the Marine Corps Depot of Supplies. By 1954 the station was sufficiently complete with warehouses and administration buildings to assume supply support for Marines east of the Rocky Mountains and in the

Atlantic area. In 1967, the base became a Storage Activity and Depot Maintenance Activity.

On January 17, 1990, the Commandant of the Marine Corps designated the Commanding General, Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany to also be Commander, Marine Corps Logistics Bases. The reorganization placed control of Marine Corps Logistics Base, Barstow, California; Blount Island Command, Jacksonville, Florida, as well as Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany under this single command.

Over the last several decades, MCLB, Albany has provided exceptional support to the Marine Air Ground Task Forces sent to Southwest Asia. The MCLB, Albany military and civilian team's hard work and dedication, combined with equal efforts from MCLB, Barstow and Blount Island Command have reaped outstanding results for our nation's Armed Services.

In 2021, MCLB, Albany won in the Fiscal Year 2021 SECNAV Energy Excellence Award's small installation category for its achievements in policy implementation, reductions in energy and water intensity, cybersecurity, and overall commitment to energy security planning. This vital Net Zero Initiative from MCLB, Albany reduced the energy cost aboard the installation and helped the base nearly reach its goal in FY 2020 of covering all critical building energy loads in the event of an outage by increasing its sources of on-site generation.

Madam Speaker, I have had the pleasure of traveling to many U.S. military installations around the world and the Marine Corps Logistics Base in Albany, Georgia is one of the finest military bases I have ever had the pleasure of visiting.

Through my ongoing interaction with MCLB, Albany personnel, one of the things I have come to admire about our nation's Marines is that their commitment to serving our country does not end once they separate from Active Duty. In their everyday life and actions off base, the personnel at MCLB, Albany have remained faithful to serving their fellow Marines, their community, and their nation. They have truly exemplified the U.S. Marine Corp's motto, Semper Fidelis.

MCLB, Albany Marines hold themselves to a higher standard—that service to our nation is a lifelong commitment, not just a tour of duty.

Whether it is going on to work as policemen, fire fighters, teachers, or business professionals, a MCLB, Albany Marines' commitment to making our nation better remains at the fundamental core of what not only makes them great during their Armed Services career, but what will also make them invaluable members of our society once their military careers end and their transition into civilian life begins.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join my wife, Vivian, and me, along with the more than 730,000 people of the Second Congressional District of Georgia in paying tribute to the men and women who have served at the Marine